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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

PAUL J. SULLIVAN, ET AL. Serial No.: Unassigned Filed: January 16, 2004

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SCANNING, STITCHING, AND DAMPING MEASUREMENTS OF A DOUBLE SIDED

METROLOGY INSPECTION TOOL Parent Serial No.: 10/165,344 Parent Filed: June 7, 2002 Parent App. Art Unit: 2877

Parent App. Examiner: Z. Smith

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a: X Continuation Application

Divisional Application

pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of pending prior application Serial No. 10/165,344, filed June 7, 2002, for the invention entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SCANNING, STITCHING, AND DAMPING MEASUREMENTS OF A DOUBLE SIDED METROLOGY INSPECTION TOOL," by inventors Paul J. Sullivan, George Kren, Rodney C. Smedt, Hans J. Hansen, David W. Shortt, Daniel Kavaldjiev, and Christopher F. Bevis.

- 1. X Enclosed are a specification, formal drawings, and a copy of the declaration from the original application. No new matter has been added. A Preliminary Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) are also enclosed.
- 2. \underline{X} The filing fee is calculated below (see also paragraph 5 below):

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Claims After Amendment	No. Filed		No. Extra	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	
Total	21	-20	1	x \$9	x <u>\$18</u>	\$18
Independent	3	-3	0	x \$43	x <u>\$86</u>	\$0
Basic Fee	Small Entity: \$385.00 Large Entity: \$770.00					\$770
Multiple Dependent claims				+ \$130	+ \$260	\$0

TOTAL FEE DUE

\$788.

- 3. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees and/or credit any overpayment that may be required during the pendency of this application, required beyond those included herewith, to Deposit Account No. 502026.
- 4. \underline{X} A check in the amount of \$788 is enclosed.
- 5. X Cancel in this application originally filed claims 2-20 and consider claims 21-41 added via Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee.
- 6. X Related application data: please amend the specification by inserting the following prior to the first paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Patent Application S.N. 10/165,344, filed June 7, 2002, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Scanning, Stitching, and Damping Measurements of a Double Sided Metrology Inspection Tool," inventors Paul J. Sullivan, et al., which is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Patent Application S.N. 09/335,673, filed June 18, 1999, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Scanning, Stitching, and Damping Measurements of a Double Sided

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Metrology Inspection Tool," inventors Paul J. Sullivan, et al., now U.S. Patent 6,414,752, issued July 2, 2002.--

- 7. ____ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and Abandoned said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application.
- 8. X The original application is assigned of record to KLA-Tencor Corporation.
- 9. X The original power of attorney has been revoked and replaced by the power of attorney appearing in the 09/335,673 application.
- 10. X Address all future communications to:

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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the following:

- Letter of Transmittal of continuation application
- **Preliminary Amendment**
- Check in the amount of \$788 as a filing fee
- $\frac{\frac{X}{X}}{\frac{X}{X}}$ Originally Filed Patent Application (28 pages of specification; 20 claims; 1 pages of abstract)
- 6 sheets of formal drawings
- Originally filed executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- $\frac{X}{X}$ $\frac{X}{X}$ Information Disclosure Statement
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